

SUMMARY OF MEDIATION PROCESS

(Time & number of meetings with mediators and specialists varies for each case)

Establishing the Framework

Review the mediation process
Complete and sign Joint Petition and Confidential Addendum
Share interests and goals for the process
Discuss roles of child/family and/or financial specialists
Determine financial information/documents needed and timeline to gather
Discuss Financial Disclosure Statement Form
Assign homework and schedule future meetings



Compilation and Education

Review Financial Disclosure Statement draft
Decide if additional input needed (appraisals, financial projections etc.)
Assure full understanding of all information gathered
Review Marital Settlement Agreement Outline
Review Preliminary Property Division Worksheet



Brainstorm Settlement Options

Allocate assets/debts on Property Division Worksheet
Review Maintenance/Child Support/Family Support calculations
Discuss current/future impact of options
Narrow options



Negotiate Terms of Agreement



Final Resolution and Completion

Data Input for all Court Required Documents
Review Legal Process for Final Hearing



Final Court Hearing – Parties Attend (not mediator)